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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

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09/737338
12/15/00For: Language Independent Message Management For Multi-Node Application Systems

Enclosed are also:

- ☒ 20 Pages of Specification including an Abstract
☒ 9 Pages of Claims
☒ 7 Sheet(s) of Drawings
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney
☒ Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

CLAIMS AS FILED

FOR	Number Filed		Number Extra		Rate		Basic Fee (\$710)
Total Claims	21	-20 =	1	X	\$ 18	=	\$18
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